



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, August 5, 2007

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 4.3  
**Soil moisture supplies:** 8% short, 60% adequate and 32% surplus

**Field Crops Report**  
Many areas of the state received scattered afternoon thunderstorms last week. Rainfall slowed the rice harvest. Rice producers who were able to harvest reported good yields in most areas. Soybean producers were facing increased disease pressure. Soybean rust was being found in many fields. The abundant rainfall and hot temperatures were stimulating sugarcane growth. Sugarcane producers were spraying for borers and began preparing land for planting.

**Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops**  
Citrus producers were scouting for insects. Vegetable producers were preparing for fall crops.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report**  
Rainfall hindered the second cutting of hay in some areas. Cattlemen were taking hay samples for quality. Rain was causing mud and insect problems in feeding areas.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2006	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough	100	99	100	99
	Mature	85	62	94	83
Cotton	Setting Bolls	99	94	100	99
Hay	Second Cutting	68	66	72	65
Peaches	Harvested	93	91	98	95
Rice	Headed	90	83	92	90
	Ripe	50	18	50	50
	Harvested	20	5	20	26
Sorghum	Headed	100	98	98	98
	Turning Color	75	66	86	77
	Mature	24	0	39	35
	Harvested	4	0	9	5
Soybeans	Blooming	100	99	97	94
	Setting Pods	96	90	90	81
	Turning Color	14	5	41	18
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	0	3	19	51	27
Cotton	0	9	25	63	3
Rice	0	3	36	54	7
Sorghum	0	6	23	40	31
Soybeans	0	5	26	59	10
Sugarcane	0	0	29	43	28
Livestock	0	3	24	62	11
Vegetables	4	15	25	50	6
Pasture	0	3	20	64	13

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 07/29/07 TO 08/05/07

AIR				PRECIPITATION				
TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO		
MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	NORM	

*The Louisiana Weather Summary is not available this week.*

M = Missing      ( ) = Extremes      Yr. To Date = Through August 5, 2007

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